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Admiral David G. Simpson
Chief
Public Safety & Homeland Security Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Admiral Simpson:

Reference letter dated December 28, 2001 (attached) related to Hawai'i Administration of the 700 MHz band. By this letter I am providing the FCC Notice as of January 2016 the governance of the interoperability channels has changed.

Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission Report and Order released October 2014, FCC 14-172, the State of Hawai'i will govern the 700 MHz public safety narrowband spectrum through the SIEB, the governance body organized to oversee public safety communications. Major General Arthur J. Logan, Adjutant General and Homeland Security Advisor is the Chair of the SIEB. The SIEB designated the 700 MHz Region 11 Regional Planning Committee (RPC) to coordinate and administer the interoperability channels. The RPC will collaborate with State and County public safety stakeholder partners and report back to the SIEB through its Chairperson, Warren Izumigawa, who is an appointed member of the SIEB.

It is our intent to more fully engage in this very important part of managing public safety communications in our State. Both the SIEB and RPC include policy and provider members to ensure planning is dynamic and transparent.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact our Statewide Interoperability Coordinator, Victoria Garcia. She is working closely with Major General Logan in this matter. She can be reached at (808) 208-3606, or via email at victoria.garcia@hawaii.gov.

With warmest regards,

David Y. Ige
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Attachment

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